

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Neelamadhaba Mahapatro

Serial No. Not Yet Assigned

Filed: Herewith

For: A System and Method for Generating a
Schedule Based on Resources Assignments)

Art Unit: 2761

Examiner: M. Sofocleous

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:


This is a divisional application of application Serial No. 08/786/489, filed

AMENDMENTPrior to the initial examination of the above-reference application, please enter the
follow amendments and consider the appended remarks.**In the Specification**

Please insert the following text on page 1, line 13.

--This application is a divisional under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b), of pending, prior
application Serial No. 08/786/489, entitled, "System and Method for Generating a Schedule
Based on Resource Assignments" filed on January 21, 1997 on behalf of Neelamadhaba
Mahapatro, and assigned to Microsoft Corporation, which is incorporated herein by reference.--

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